

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION, DIVISION OF HEARINGS

MISSION STATEMENT

The Division of Hearings' mission is to perform impartial dispute resolution, according to IC 14-10-1 and as otherwise provided by law, and to assist the Natural Resources Commission in the conduct of its business. The Division of Hearings is committed to the following:

- **F**acilitating public participation in the activities of the Natural Resources Commission through the prompt preparation and public dissemination of meeting agendas, the maintenance of documents for public inspection and the development of informational resources relating to the activities of the Commission.
- **E**nsuring the involvement of citizens interested in matters of public importance by ensuring that proper comments are received and fully considered in preparing recommendations for consideration and action by the Commission.
- **R**endering full and fair determinations of disputes between parties to administrative review proceeding over which the Commission or its administrative law judge serves as the ultimate authority, including those of the Board of Licensure for Professional Geologists and the Indiana Board of Registration for Soil Scientists.
- **P**roviding the services of mediation and facilitation in support of alternative dispute resolution for the Commission and otherwise in support of agencies of the State of Indiana.